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1. SPECIAL PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT (REFTEL)
ACCOMPANYING ANNOUNCEMENT OF EMERGENCY MEASURES
IS DECEPTIVELY MODERATE IN TONE AND APPEARS TO BE ATTEMPT TO
PRESENT
ARTICLE 53 ACTION AS BOTH REASONABLE AND
JUSTIFIED. STATEMENT MAKES PLEA FOR
DOMESTIC STABILITY IN TIME OF TURBULENT INTER-
NATIONAL SITUATION, ALTHOUGHIST DEFINES STABILITY
AS MAINTENANCE OF REVITALIZING REFORM AND
PRESERVATION OF THE YUSHIN CONSTITUTION. PARK ALSO
INVOKES THE PEOPLES'S OVERWHELMING SUPPORT
FOR THE YUSHIN CONSTITUTION REFLECTED IN THE
NATIONAL REFERENDUM OF NOVEMBER 21, 1972
(WHICH WAS HELDUNDER MARTIAL LAW).

2. PRESIDENT STRESSED THAT
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EMERGENCY MEASURES APPLY ONLY TO SOME ELEMENTS

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OF SOCIETY, AND ARE BEING INTRODUCED ONLY
AGAINST THEIR ACTIONS. HE POINTED OUT THAT
ACTIONS OF THOSE REMAINING FAITHFUL TO THE
CONSTITUTION WOULD NOT BE AFFECTED BY THE
EMERGENCY MEASURES.

3. PRESIDENT MADE CLEAR, HOWEVER, THAT THOSE
AT WHOM EMERGENCY MEASURES ARE DIRECTED WOULD
GE DEALT WITH TO FULL EXTENT OF THE NOW VERY
BROAD LAW. HIS STATEMENT THAT ACTIONS AIMED AT
OVERTHROWING THE YUSHIN STRUCTURE WOULD BE
ERADICATED ONCE AND FOR ALL IS A HARSH AND
UNCOMPROMISING ULTIMATUM TO HIS CRITICS THAT IS
TO NO EXTENT MODERATED BY THE OVERALL TENOR
OF HIS WORDS OR THE LEGAL LEGERDEMAIN WITH
WHICH HE HAS PRESENTED IT.
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